MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): They will learn the art. The member is evidently referring to the fact that cotton is not available in the country.

MR. REVATINAL RAMA VARMA RAJA (*Edavagai*): ഇവിടെയില്ലാത്ത ഒരു സാധനത്തെപ്പററി പഠിപ്പിക്കേണ്ട വല്ലആവശ്യവുമുണ്ടോ എന്നാണ എനിക്കുസംശയം.

PRESIDENT: That is a question of opinion. You are not seeking information.

Carpentry School, Koontallur.

27. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether their attention or the attention of the Department of Industries has been drawn to the Carpentry School conducted at Koontallur in the Chirayinkil taluk;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the period during which the school has been working there and the name of the manager; and

(*c*) whether the manager of the above school applied for a grant and whether any grant is given; and, if not, why?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) In 1101 one Govindan Asari, Manager and Headmaster of a school at Koontallur, styled Sri Saradavilasam Smithery and Carpentry School, applied to the Director of Industries for grant. The application was rejected for the primary reason that funds were not available. The application has not been renewed since and the Government have no information as to whether the school is now in existence or for what period it was conducted.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): With reference to the answer given, may I know whether any local enquiry was made, before the application was rejected, as to the existence of such a school or not?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): At the time there was no need for it, because funds were not available for awarding a grant. On that ground the grant was refused.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Is it the usual custom that when once an application is rejected it should be renewed year after year in order to draw the attention of the head of the department to that?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): He could not be given a grant in one year because funds were not available at that time. If he had renewed his application during the next year, his application for grant could be considered if funds were then available.

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